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SUBJECT: NORTHWEST AIRLINES AIR FARES

REF: STOCKHOLM 2435

1. THE FOLLOWING LETTER WAS RECEIVED TODAY, AUGUST 23, FROM THE SWEDISH BOARD OF CIVIL AVIATION.
BEGIN QUOTE. NORTH WEST ORIENT AIRLINES (NORTHWEST) HAS IN LETTER DATED APRIL 21, 1978, APPLIED TO THE SWEDISH BOARD OF CIVIL AVIATION FOR APPROVAL OF PASSENGER FARES AND CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO THESE FARES FOR TRAVEL BETWEEN STOCKHOLM AND BOSTON, NEW YORK, MINNEAPOLIS, DETROIT AND SEATTLE. THE APPLICATION HAS BEEN AMENDED AND SPECIFIED IN LETTERS OF MAY 10, 22 AND 23 AND JUNE 23, 1978. NORTHWEST HAS ALSO MET IN CONSULTATION WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE COMPETENT SCANDINAVIAN AUTHORITIES.
THE BOARD HAS SOUGHT THE VIEWS OF SAS ON NORTHWEST'S FILINGS. THE OPINION OF SAS HAS BEEN DELIVERED TO THE BOARD IN LETTERS OF MAY 2 AND 22 AND JULY 6, 1978, WHICH HAVE BEEN COMMUNICATED TO NORTHWEST.
THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS IN DENMARK HAS ON AUGUST
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17, 1978, TAKEN A DECISION CONCERNING BUDGET FARES TO APPLY TO TRAFFIC BETWEEN DENMARK AND THE USA. THE BOARD CONCURS WITH THE DANISH DECISION AND HAS RESOLVED THE FOLLOWING. THE APPLICATION FOR BUDGET FARES AND TO THESE FARES ATTACHED CONDITIONS IS APPROVED IN SO FAR AS IT RELATES TO THE TRAFFIC BETWEEN STOCKHOLM AND NEW YORK. THE FARES SO APPROVED SHALL APPLY FROM

THIS DAY THROUGH AND INCLUDING MARCH 31, 1979.
APPEAL AGAINST THIS DECISION SHALL BE ADDRESSED TO THE
MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS, WHICH MUST
BE IN RECEIPT OF THE APPEAL NOT LATER THAN THREE WEEKS
FROM THE DAY PLAINTIFF TOOK PART OF THIS DECISION.
END QUOTE.

2. WE CAN NOT YET SPECULATE ON THE CAB'S REACTION TO
THE AUGUST 22 NEWS THAT NORTHWEST WILL NOT NOW BE ABLE
TO BEGIN SERVICE TO SCANDINAVIA BEFORE THE
"SPRING" OR WHETHER THE NORTHWEST ANNOUNCEMENT
STIMULATED THE CAB TO PROCEED NOW RATHER THAN AWAIT
A POSSIBLE US PROTEST.
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